Construction of a cross road to connect the Ayacaud-Otakkali road with The Kuruppampadi-Kootikal road.

155. ✻**MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they received any petition from the inhabitants of Kottapadi and other *karas* for the construction of a cross road to connect Ayacaud-Otakkali road with Kuruppampadi-Koottikal road ; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken by the Government in the matter ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The P. W. D. has instructions to take up the investigation of the line in the order of urgency when compared to other such works.

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Appendix I.

***Vide* Answer to Question No. 137..**

Letter F. L. 5400 dated 18-7-1937 from the Financial Secretary to Government to the Water Works and Drainage Engineer to Government.

With reference to your letter No. 228 dated 6-5-1937 regarding the grant of leave to officers without substantive appointments in your Department, I have the honour to inform you that Government have been pleased to sanction the Heads of Departments being authorised to relax the restriction in Articles 165 and 209 of the Travancore Service Regulations in regard to the filling of the leave vacancy, in the case of persons in continuous service for long periods of two years or more, in the Public Works Department, *viz.*, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation, Water Works and Drainage and Electrical Departments, if the total eave taken at one time does not exceed one month, in other cases sanction of Government being applied for in hard cases.

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(Sd.)

For Financial Secretary to Government.